

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Lee Ann Smith began her 23-year career with the state of South Dakota on May 24, 1982, with the Department of Agriculture and has worked for the Department of Environment and Natural Resources for the last 16 years; and,

Whereas, Lee Ann has been instrumental in the development and management of South Dakota's SARA Title III Community Right to Know Program; and,

Whereas, Lee Ann has always been ready and willing to help the citizens of South Dakota by assisting with duties outside her normal responsibilities, including spill response actions, flooding task force, blizzard assistance, and West Nile virus response activities; and,

Whereas, Lee Ann handled many questions asked of her as if there were a puzzle that needed to be solved, relying on resources and contacts from across the county to assist the facility in complying with the reporting requirements; and,

Whereas, Lee Ann has provided a valuable service to the State Emergency Response Commission, local emergency planning committees, and numerous others; and,

Whereas, Lee Ann has decided to leave state government so she can keep an eye on her husband, Dick, enjoy their new property located in the Black Hills, and spend time with her grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Lee Ann will be missed by her friends and co-workers, local county emergency managers, and those businesses she has helped to comply with federal requirements:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 7, 2005, as

LEE ANN SMITH DAY


in South Dakota, and I join with Lee Ann's family, friends, and co-workers in wishing her a fulfilling and happy retirement.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-seventh Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State